103D CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. R. 4947

To amend title 28, United States Code, to establish additional requirements regarding appointment of an independent counsel.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AUGUST 12, 1994

Mr. Bryant introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. CONFLICT OF INTEREST; COMMUNICATION
- 4 Section 593(b)(2) of title 28, United States Code, is
- 5 amended—
- 6 (1) by inserting after the second sentence the
- 7 following: "In keeping with the purposes of this
- 8 chapter, the division of the court shall appoint as
- 9 independent counsel an individual who is without

any real or apparent personal, financial, or political conflict of interest.";

(2) by adding at the end the following: "Any communication with the division of the court or any member of such division regarding the qualifications or suitability of an individual to serve as independent counsel shall be made in writing. No member of such division shall engage in oral communication regarding such matters with any individual other than an individual who is a member, or on the staff, of such division or who is being considered for appointment as an independent counsel. The division of the court shall make any such written communication a part of the proceedings and available for review by the public.

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